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A Report to the Citizens of the City of Fairfax



DATELINE

City Government Offices November Closures

Veterans Day — On November 11, city government offices will close in observance of Veterans Day, as will the General District Court. The Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center (703-385-8414) will be open November 11. The CUE Bus (703-385-7859) will run on a modified weekday schedule November 11.

Thanksgiving — City government offices will close November 28-29 in observance of Thanksgiving.

The General District Court will close at noon November 27 through November 29.

The museum and Historic Blenheim will close November 28 and open November 29.

The CUE Bus will not run November 28 and run on a modified weekday schedule November 29.

November Holiday Trash Collection Schedule

Veterans Day

- Monday, 11/11: no collection
- Tuesday, 11/12: regular Monday and Tuesday routes collected

Thanksgiving

- Monday, 11/25: regular collection
- Tuesday, 11/26: regular Tuesday and Wednesday routes collected
- Wednesday, 11/27: regular Thursday and Friday routes collected
- Thursday, 11/28: no collection
- Friday, 11/29: no collection

Information: 703-385-7837. Receive service information via eMAS — sign up on the city's website.

If you're new to the city, welcome!
Call 703-385-7800
for new resident information.

Don't Bag It! Curbside Leaf Collection Begins November 4

Get rakes ready: the city will provide residential curbside leaf collection from November 4 through December 31.

Please rake loose leaves to the curb. Bagged leaves will not be collected during this time: the landfill will not accept them as trash.

Light yard debris (like grass clippings, weeds) may be included in leaf piles. Please keep stones, branches and other large items out of leaf piles; they damage equipment and endanger workers' safety.

Help the



city reduce labor as well as save time and fuel: ***please have all leaves at the curb by December 24*** for efficient removal.

The city is divided into six sections, and leaves are collected in rotation by neighborhood. Crews circulate through neighborhoods at least once every two weeks, often more frequently. Heavy leaf fall or inclement weather may affect leaf collection.

The city is among the only local jurisdictions to provide this service at no additional charge to its residents.

For information, call the Leaf Collection Hotline (703-385-LEAF) or sign up for "leaf collection" notices on eMAS, the city's electronic message alert system.

Corcoran Historic Marker Dedicated October 19

Bagpipes and Civil War re-enactors were on hand October 19 to dedicate a historic marker to Union General Michael Corcoran at the intersection of North Street and Main Street (adjacent to Truro Anglican Church).

Corcoran, who died at the nearby Gunnell House in 1863, was commissioned by President Abraham Lincoln to lead the Union's "Irish Legion."

The marker placement was a joint effort of Historic Fairfax City, Inc.; Historic Markers Committee; the city's Sesquicentennial Committee; and the Historic Resources Office. (Photo by Chris Martin, City of Fairfax)



Input Sought For Zoning Ordinance Update

The City Council has taken an important step in the rewriting of its land development regulations — and will be seeking stakeholder involvement in the coming weeks.

On October 22, the City Council awarded a contract to Duncan Associates to rewrite the Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances. The last major rewrite of the Zoning Ordinance was conducted in 1986.

During the re-writing process, there will be ample opportunity to participate in public outreach sessions and through interactive online tools.

A steering committee comprised of industry professionals and the business community — as well as board and commission members and residents — will be formed to assist in the technical review of the detailed code language.

For information, call 703-385-7820.



NEWS & NOTES

Be 'Street Smart' This Winter With Travel Tips

Those who walk, drive or ride in and around Fairfax should be Street Smart and travel with caution, particularly during the winter season.

All travelers should obey traffic laws and follow traffic signals and signs. Be aware of surroundings and never proceed unless it is safe to do so. Always wear safety gear: helmets, seat belts, proper clothing for the weather and time of day.

Stay visible in the dark, whether with reflective clothing for the walker or biker, or proper lights on bicycles and cars. Make sure all equipment is functioning properly, from lights to brakes to pedals to windshield wipers.

Drivers should allow three feet between their motor vehicles and bicyclists. Cyclists should ride in the direction of motor vehicle traffic, a car door-distance from parked cars.

Wait for the proper signal to enter traffic: pedestrians, or turning vehicles, may have the right-of-way. Divers "turning on red" should advance with caution.

Take your time and travel cautiously in bad weather. Arrive safely, even if that means walking the bike or traveling slower than the posted speed limit. Remember: CUE Buses travel in nearly all weather.

For more safety tips, follow Twitter account @COGStreetSmart.

City Maintains VML Silver-Level "Go Green" Certification

The City of Fairfax has increased its "green government" rating to silver with the Virginia Municipal League. "Go Green Virginia" Green Government Challenge is a friendly competition among Virginia municipal governments.

This competition encourages implementation of policies and practical actions to reduce carbon emissions of both local government and the broader community. For information, call 703-385-7816.

Crafts, Festival on Horizon; Santa Lunch Tickets on Sale

Launch the holiday season with the Holiday Craft Show November 16-17 and the Festival of Lights and Carols December 7. For information, call 703-385-7858.

The *Holiday Craft Show* will fill Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run, with hundreds of crafters (and a food court) from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. November 16 and from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. November 17.

Admission is \$5 each day for adults or \$8 for a two-day pass. Children age 17 and younger attend for free. Free shuttle buses will be provided Saturday.

Enjoy the *Festival of Lights and Carols* December 7 in Kitty Pozer Garden (next to the Ratcliffe-Allison House, 10386 Main Street). The garden will be illuminated with animated lights, sponsored by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority and Bull Run Lights.

At the festival, youngsters age 10 and younger may have lunch with Santa at 11 a.m., noon and 1 p.m. at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway. Tickets cost \$6 per child (10 tickets max per purchase) and go on sale November 1 at the Parks and Recreation Department offices at City Hall, Green Acres and the Sherwood Center.

Listen to live holiday music and enjoy hot cider at the festival beginning at noon and continuing throughout the day in Kitty Pozer Garden. Sidney Lanier Middle School will hold its winter performance from 2:30-4:30 p.m. at Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive. The tree lighting ceremony begins at 5 p.m. in Kitty Pozer Garden. From 6-7 p.m., candlelight tours of the Ratcliffe-Allison House will be offered.

Community Prep Workshop, SKYWARN Class Offered in November

The Office of Emergency Management is offering two opportunities for city residents to learn how to help during times of emergency and weather-related situations. For information, call 703-385-4856.

Those with an interest in severe weather may consider volunteering for SKYWARN, a volunteer program where "spotters" can help keep their local communities safe by providing timely and accurate reports of severe weather to the National Weather Service.

The city will host a SKYWARN class on November 18. The location of the class

will be announced soon.

On November 20, learn more about community preparedness and volunteer opportunities within the city in a one-hour workshop offered at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center.

During this one-hour workshop offered at 6:30 pm November 20, participants will learn about Map Your Neighborhood, a neighborhood-based program that provides a timely response to disaster when 9-1-1 is unavailable. Also, find out about volunteer opportunities within the City such as the Community Emergency Response Teams and others.

City of Fairfax government offices will close from 11:45 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. December 11 for the Employee Recognition Luncheon.

However, the offices of the General Registrar and General District Court will remain open.

Information: www.fairfaxva.gov, 703-385-7855.

Veterans Events Scheduled November 9, 11

The public is invited to two special events hosted by the American Legion Post 177 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8469.

Visit American Legion Post 177 for a flag disposal ceremony at 1 p.m. November 9 in the American Legion Hall, 3939 Oak Street.

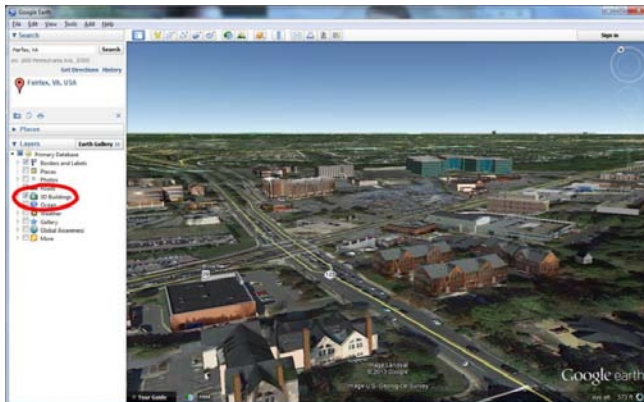
The American Legion, with the Veter-

ans of Foreign Wars Post 8469, invites the public to the Ceremony of Remembrance beginning at 10 a.m. November 11 at the Veterans Amphitheater, adjacent to City Hall. The remembrance ceremony will include music and a U.S. Navy combat veteran striking a vintage U.S. Navy bell for every name read from the Honor Roll of the Fallen.

View Fairfax Boulevard in 3D on Google Earth

See Fairfax Boulevard in 3D on the Web, thanks to a cooperative effort between the City of Fairfax Community Development and Planning Department (CDP) and Google Earth. This will help the city better plan for the future and visualize current conditions on the Fairfax Boulevard corridor.

CDP, as part of an intern project with guidance from city staff, created photo textured 3D buildings in three areas along the boulevard where future development is anticipated: Northfax, Kamp Washington and Fairfax Circle.



To view the 3D maps, download Google Earth, free from Google. In Google Earth, type "Fairfax, VA" in the search window and zoom in to the areas listed above. For information, call 703-385-7930.



Place All Recyclables in One Container; Toters Allowed

Residents with city-provided curbside collection of trash and recyclables may place all recyclables in the blue recycling bins. There is no need to separate items.

Residents may use the larger, wheeled "toter"-type containers for the curbside disposal of yard waste, recycling or general household trash. Please clearly identify on each container what it contains — yard waste, trash, recyclables — so refuse and recycling crews can easily and quickly remove their contents.

Consider including your address on both toters and city-supplied bins to prevent loss.

Contractors Must Carry Away Their Own Debris

The city provides trash, recyclables and debris collection for city residents. Residents who have debris from do-it-yourself home improvements may place their debris at the curb for collection.

Those who hire builders and contractors — even gardeners — must make sure these contractors remove all debris from the property themselves.

The city will not dispose of refuse generated by contractors.

Cool Fireplace Ashes

Dispose of fireplace ashes in a metal container with a tight-fitting lid (to keep out air) or leave them to cool in place for at least three days. For information, call 703-385-7830.

When ashes are completely cold, place them in the trash for disposal — or use them in compost piles.

Recycling, Disposal Information Available

- How to Dispose of Items in the City
 - Curbside Recycling is Easier Than Ever
- Pick them up on the city website.

INFORMATION: 703-385-7837

Real Estate Tax Bills Mailed in November; Tax Relief Available

City of Fairfax real estate tax bills will be mailed in November and are due December 5. Property owners who pay the real estate tax directly and do not receive a tax bill should call 703-385-7904. Residents who receive a real estate tax bill and whose mortgage company escrows the payment should immediately forward the bill to their mortgage company.

City tax relief programs — The city continues to offer real estate tax relief options to qualified senior citizens and homeowners with disabilities: basic tax relief, tax deferral, tax freeze, or combination tax freeze and deferral. Applications will be available in February 2014.

Disabled veterans tax exemption — Disabled veterans (or their surviving spouses) may be eligible for real estate tax

exemptions on their principal residences, effective January 1, 2011.

The veteran must have been declared 100 percent service-connected, permanently and totally disabled by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (V.A.). City residents may contact the Finance Department, located in Room 312 at City Hall, for an application. For this exemption, disability documentation must come from the V.A. It is not sufficient to submit a medical certification from a private physician. To obtain required disability documentation from the V.A., complete V.A. Form 21-4138 and submit it to the V.A. office in Roanoke.

For real estate tax relief and exemption program information, visit the city's website or call 703-359-2486.

General Election to be Held November 5

Important dates and information:

November 2: last day for in-person absentee voting

(General Registrar's Office open 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily as well as Saturday, November 2)

November 5: polls open from 6 am to 7 pm; after polls close,

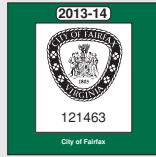
results posted on Cityscreen-12 and city website as available

Remember to bring proper identification to the polls (voter registration card accepted)

Sample ballot, polling locations, information available: www.fairfaxva.gov • 703-385-7890

**Enforcement of the current
(green) decals begins
November 16.**

**Decals must be
properly
displayed on
vehicles
garaged in the
City of Fairfax.**



**To purchase a decal,
call 703-385-7900.**

**To register personal property,
call 703-385-7880.**

Hange Appointed to Lead Economic Development Office

The City of Fairfax announces the appointment of Nicole Hange as the city's economic development director.

Hange previously worked with the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) as the government relations and policy assistant. She played a key role in the development of COG's *2050 Plan: Region Forward* publication and has had extensive interaction with staff and leadership in nearly every jurisdiction in the region.

The George Mason University alumna earned a master's degree in public policy (with a focus on economic development) from Mason.

Hange replaces Geoff Durham, who accepted a position in Durham, NC in June. For information, call 703-385-7862.

Enterprise Center Named a Top Business Incubator

The Mason Enterprise Center (MEC), which began in 1995 as a partnership between the City of Fairfax and George Mason University, was named as one of the top 10 U.S. and Top 20 Global University Business Incubators by the UBI Index.

MEC in Fairfax, a joint venture of the city and Mason, is the largest university-based incubator in the Commonwealth of Virginia, featuring more than 49 office spaces and 29,000+ square feet of floor space and designed to help start-up business grow and achieve maximum success.

UBI Index is a European research initiative with an international research team specializing in incubation and entrepreneurship indexes. This was UBI's first global benchmark study of university business incubators.

Winter Weather Has Special Procedures

With winter comes the possibility of snowfall, ice storms and water main breaks. City workers do everything possible to provide service during weather emergencies.

Water Main Breaks — In the event of a water main break in underground pipes, water service to surrounding buildings is shut off temporarily while workers repair the problem. To report water main breaks, call 703-385-7920 (or 703-385-7924 on evenings, weekends and holidays).

Snow, Ice Removal — The city is among the few area jurisdictions to plow its own roads. Public Works Department crews work around the clock to make city streets passable during a snowstorm.

Property owners are asked to clean snow from their own driveways and sidewalks in front of their properties. *Pile snow to the right side of the driveway (while facing the street) so city trucks can*

push it away from the driveway. It is against the law to push snow onto city streets because it impedes snow removal and creates an unsafe situation.

Please remove snow from around fire hydrants so the fire department can find them when needed.

Weather Emergency — Snow emergencies and closures are announced in a myriad of ways, including: Cityscreen-12, the city's television station (also available on the Web); the city News and Events Line (703-273-1776); the city's website; and eMAS, the city's electronic message alert system. The city also alerts local radio and television stations. For information, call 703-385-7855 during regular business hours.

Emergency Preparation — Be prepared for weather-related emergencies with the help of the Emergency Management Office; call 703-385-4856 during regular business hours.

Partial Tax Exemption Offered for Renovated Homes

Residents who plan to substantially upgrade their older residences may be eligible for a partial real estate tax exemption.

The exemption amount is based on the increased value of the residence that has been substantially rehabilitated, renovated or replaced. Exemptions are given for a 10-year period, with a 100 percent exemption of the increased value for the first five years then decreasing percentage for years six through 10.

The residential structure — single-family house or duplex — must be at least 15 years old. The improvements

must increase the assessed value by at least 15 percent. The homeowner must obtain appropriate building permits and inspections during the home improvement process.

Applicant must apply for the exemption *before any construction begins* (preferably as soon as any required building permits are granted).

The city assessor will establish the base value of the home before construction begins, and approve the exemption upon final inspection after construction is finished.

For information, call 703-385-7840.

Volunteers Sought for Advisory Boards

- **Board of Building Code Appeals** (one vacancy for resident with fire protection experience) — Acts on applications for appeals from building official decisions based on the provisions of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code which relate to the technical aspects of building maintenance regulations and to all of the other provisions of such code. Meets as needed.
- **Fairfax County Commission on Organ Tissue Donation and Transplantation** (one vacancy for city resident) — Coordinates resources in the community; to promote awareness of organ and tissue donation and transplantation; to educate the community about the organ and tissue donation process; and to increase the number of Fairfax organ and tissue donors.
- **Fairfax Alcohol Safety Action Program Policy Board** (one vacancy for city resident) — Sets program policies and serves as directorate for the local programs within the local Alcohol Safety Action Program.
- **Fairfax Area Disability Services Board** (one vacancy for city representative) — Advises local government about the service needs of persons with physical and sensory disabilities and implements the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Applications will be considered at an upcoming City Council meeting following submission. Unless otherwise noted, city residency is required. Submit letters of interest and résumé (if available) to City Clerk Melanie Burrell. Vacancies are subject to change. Prospective applicants who represent diverse or minority groups are especially encouraged to apply. Information: 703-385-7935.



NOVEMBER CABLE SCHEDULE

Cityscreen-12 Online Survey Available Now

Help Cityscreen-12 analyze and plan service by taking a short survey on your television viewing preferences and practices, particularly as they pertain to high-definition television. The survey will be on the city's website through November 30.

Check Out the New Bulletin Board!

Tune into Cityscreen-12 to check out the fresh, new look of the 24-hour bulletin board, chock-full of information about city services, activities and events.

Election Results

Results from the city's precincts for the November 5 General Election will be posted as the precincts report. Polls close at 7 pm November 5.

The Fairfax Scene

In November, watch noted Civil War

historians share their knowledge of John Singleton Mosby, known as the Gray Ghost. These lectures were part of the Mosby Symposium held March 8, 2013, the sesquicentennial of Mosby's Raid on Fairfax Court House.

The Fairfax Scene plays at 2 pm and 6 pm daily. The show will be archived online under "special programming" and on the city's YouTube channel.

School Board Meeting

Monday, November 4, 7:30 pm, LIVE

Replays:

Tuesday, November 5, 10 am;

Thursday, November 7, 10 am, 7 pm;

Monday, November 18, 10 am, 7 pm;

Tuesday, November 19, 10 am;

Thursday, November 21, 10 am, 7 pm;

Archived online November 5

City Council Meeting, Work Sessions

Tuesday, November 12, 7 pm, LIVE

Replays:

Wednesday, November 13, 10 am, 7 pm;

Friday, November 15, 10 am, 7 pm;

Saturday, November 16, 10 am, 7 pm;

Sunday, November 17, 10 am, 7 pm

Archived online November 13

OnDEMAND replay begins November 17

Planning Commission Meetings

Monday, November 25, 7 pm, LIVE

Replays:

Tuesday, November 26, 10 am, 7 pm;

Thursday, November 28, 10 am, 7 pm;

Archived online November 26

Encore!, Road to Recovery

Enjoy an encore musical performance at 4 pm daily.

On days there are no meetings or meeting replays, watch *The Road to Recovery*, a program produced by the Department of Health and Human Services, which plays in meeting time slots.

Programming is subject to change. Watch Cityscreen-12 on cable television and on the city website. Information: 703-385-7803.

Proposed Agendas for School Board, Planning Commission, City Council

School Board (for information, call 703-385-7911)

November 4 regular meeting

- Student representative report.
- Presentation on the Fairfax County Public Schools Legislative Program Report.
- Approval of the Revised Six Year Plan

November 18 work session

- Presentations on: School Capacities; enrollment projections; review of budget for fiscal year 2014-15; School Board Development.

City Council (for information, call 703-385-7935)

November 12 regular meeting and work session

- Consideration: of a resolution amending the policy regarding athletic facility regulations; of an agreement for lease financing through Sun Trust Bank; of a financing agreement with Ameresco; of a resolution amending the VRS public safety provisions; of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Fairfax Little League for Providence Elementary School Field #4 renovation; of an amendment to the Northfax contract to add \$575,543 of additional preliminary engineering services.
- Introduction of an ordinance approving an asset purchase agreement with the Loudoun County Water Authority.
- Public hearings: on a request for a special use permit pursuant to City Code to allow a specialty food establishment that provides delivery service in the C-2 Retail Commercial and Highway Corridor Overlay (HCOD) Districts at 11075 Fairfax Boulevard; on a request for a Special Exception pursuant to City Code to modify the requirements for building mounted signage for a shopping center (Old Town Fairfax) at 3950 University Drive; on an ordinance extending through February 28, 2014 the franchise granted to CoxCom, LLC d/b/a Cox Communications Northern Virginia by ordinance effective December 12, 1998; on a zoning text amendment to amend City Code pertaining to storm drainage facilities; on proposed amendments to the *City of Fairfax Comprehensive Plan*, adopted April 10, 2012, which provides general guidance for physical development within the city, including implementation measures for the provision of affordable housing.
- Discussion on a request by Fairfax City Plaza, 9538 Lee Highway for a rezoning request and a special exception for a new shopping center on a vacant lot (next to Arthur Treacher's).
- Discussion of the FY2013 Financial Results, FY 2014 Budget Update, Projections for FY 2015, and suggested FY 2015 Budget Guidelines.

Planning Commission (for information, call 703-385-7930)

November 25 regular meeting

- Public hearing on a request by Fairfax City Plaza, 9538 Lee Highway for rezoning for a new shopping center on a vacant lot (next to Arthur Treacher's).
- Consideration of applications to approve two subdivisions: 3601 and 3603 Jermantown Road and 10823 and 10825 Carol Street (Avery Park); and 10515, 10519, 10523 and 10525 School Street (Eleven Oaks).

Meeting information is subject to change; call to confirm.



CITY COUNCIL REPORTER

September 24, 2013

Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously: Consideration of a resolution to approve the city's submission to the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority for fiscal years 2015-20 Regional Surface Transportation Program Funding; Consideration of a memorandum of understanding with Fairfax Policy Youth Club for Fairfax High School Synthetic Turf Field Replacement; Consideration of a memorandum of understanding with Fairfax Policy Youth Club for donation to repair the athletic fields at Sidney Lanier Middle School; Introduction of an ordinance amending City Code as it pertains to the use of photo-monitoring systems to enforce traffic light signals, penalty; Introduction of an ordinance authorizing the grant of a permanent sanitary sewer easement and temporary construction easement to Loudoun County Sanitation Authority on certain real property owned by the city in Loudoun County; Introduction of an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to abatement of certain grass and weeds; Introduction of an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to fire prevention and protection. *(Councilmembers Schmidt and Greenfield were absent from the vote.)*
- Approved, 4-1, to authorize the city manager to amend the contract with RedFlex Traffic Systems, Inc. to extend the contract end date and to provide interim services, provided that the contract amendments are acceptable to the city manager and approved as to form by the city attorney. *(In favor: Councilmembers DeMarco, Drummond, Greenfield and Meyer; opposed: Councilmember Stombres.) (Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*
- Approved, 4-1, to authorize the city manager to enter into a contract to Xerox State and Local Solutions, Inc. for traffic light signal violation monitoring services, provided that the contract and any amendments are acceptable to the city manager and approved as to form by the city attorney. *(In favor: Councilmembers DeMarco, Drummond, Greenfield and Meyer; opposed: Councilmember Stombres.) (Councilmember*

Schmidt was absent.)

- Approved, 4-1, a resolution authorizing the city manager to enter into an agreement with George Mason University for the fiscal year 2013-14 CUE bus contracted service, provided that the agreement and any amendments are acceptable to the city manager and approved as to form by the city attorney. *(In favor: Councilmembers Drummond, Greenfield, Meyer, and Stombres; opposed: Councilmember DeMarco.) (Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*

Public hearings

- Approved, unanimously, the request to renew a special use permit pursuant to City Code to allow a motor vehicle repair establishment in the I-2 (Industrial) District, at 3159 Campbell Drive, subject to conditions. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, the request for a special use permit to allow dancing and entertainment as uses ancillary to a restaurant (Buffalo Wing University) in the C-2 Retail Commercial and Old Town Fairfax Transition Overlay Districts at 10312 Willard Way, subject to conditions. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$32,000 to complete the funding for surveillance video cameras for the CUE buses (\$12,000) and to allocate funding (\$20,000) for the mobile vault for CUE cash fares. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$132,046 to complete the funding for the reconstruction of Route 50 from Rebel Run to Fairfax Circle project. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance amending City Code to add thereto a new Section 54-175, pertaining to unlawful hunting. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*
- Approved, unanimously, to enact an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to public procurement of goods and services. *(Councilmember Schmidt was absent.)*

October 8, 2013

Consent agenda

- Approved, unanimously: Consideration of a resolution authorizing City Manager to enter into agreements with the Department of Rail and Public Transportation; Introduction of an ordinance approving an asset purchase agreement with the Fairfax County Water Authority. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent from the vote.)*

Public hearings




- Approved, unanimously, to adopt a resolution to approve the request for a special exception to City Code to allow building mounted signage on walls not defined as building frontage on an establishment occupied by a tenant at 3941 Pickett Road, subject to conditions. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent from the vote.)*
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to the use of photo-monitoring systems to enforce traffic light signals. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent from the vote.)*
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance authorizing the grant of a permanent sanitary sewer easement and a temporary construction easement to Loudoun County Sanitation Authority on certain real property owned by the city located in Loudoun County. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent from the vote.)*
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to abatement of certain grass and weeds. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent from the vote.)*
- Approved, unanimously, an ordinance amending City Code pertaining to fire prevention and protection. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent from the vote.)*

Items not requiring a public hearing

- Approved, unanimously, to award a contract to Flippo Construction Co., Inc. for \$3,309,135.00 for the Route 123/Chain Bridge Road over Accotink Creek Bridge replacement project, provided the contract and any amendments are acceptable to the city manager and approved as to form by the city attorney. *(Councilmember Stombres was absent from the vote.)*

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City of Fairfax Community Calendar November 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Helpful Phone Numbers City government information..... 703-385-7855 City News and Events Line..... 703-273-1776 Arts and Cultural Events Line..... 703-352-ARTS City of Fairfax Regional Library 703-293-6227 Civil War Interpretive Center 703-591-0560 Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center 703-385-8414 FHS Sports Line..... 703-749-8130 George Mason University events..... 703-993-1056 Information is subject to last-minute change.		Curbside leaf collection begins November 4. Remember, no bagged leaves are collected during this time! Information: www.fairfaxva.gov , 703-385-LEAF.		1 Tickets go on sale for the Festival of Lights and Carols Lunch With Santa Bingo, 7:15 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)		2 General Registrar's Office is open from 8:30 am to 5 pm for absentee voting Fairfax Bike Summit, 9 am, George Mason University
3 City of Fairfax Fire Benevolent Fund 5K Run/Walk, 8:30 am, Fire Station 3 (registration required: www.firefighterfund5k.com ; firefund5k@fairfaxfire.org) University Chorale and University Singers Concert, 4 pm, Center for the Arts	4  Curbside leaf collection begins Old Town Hall Children's Performance Series, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall School Board meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5) Evening Under the Stars at Mason, 8 pm, Mason Observatory	5 General Election — polls open 6 am to 7 pm; city results posted on Cityscreen-12 after polls close and results are available Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex	6 Environmental Sustainability Committee, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center	7 City of Fairfax Fire Department dedication event and equipment demonstration, 2:30 pm, Firehouse Subs Restaurant, 9548 Main Street City of Fairfax Democratic Committee meeting, 7:30 pm, City Hall	8 Sherwood Cinema Series: <i>The Croods</i> , 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center Bingo, 7:15 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department) U.S. Army Band, <i>Downrange</i> , 8 pm, Old Town Hall	9 Holiday Happenings Craft Show, 10 am to 4 pm, W.T. Woodson High School, 9525 Main Street Flag disposal ceremony, 1 pm, American Legion Hall, 3939 Oak Street Swing Dances at Sherwood, 8 pm (free dance lessons at 7:30 pm), Sherwood Center
10 Second Sunday Series: <i>George Mason And George Washington: The Power of Principle</i> , 2 pm, Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center American Freedom Festival with Lynyrd Skynyrd, 7:30 pm, Patriot Center	11 Veterans Day Trash and recyclables are not collected City government offices closed, General District Court closed, CUE Bus runs on a modified weekday schedule, Fairfax Museum open Veterans Day Ceremony of Remembrance, 10 am, Veterans Amphitheater	12  Monday and Tuesday trash and recycling routes collected City Council meeting and work session, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5) Percussion Ensemble Concert, 8 pm, de Laski Performing Arts Building	13 Historic Fairfax City, Inc., meeting, 7 pm, Civil War Interpretive Center Spotlight on the Arts meeting, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center Infinite World Tour, 8 pm, Patriot Center	14 Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting, 7 pm, City Hall	15 America Recycles Day — AmericaRecyclesDay.org Bingo, 7:15 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)	16 City of Fairfax Holiday Craft Show, 10 am to 5 pm, Fairfax High School Fairfax Symphony Orchestra, 8 pm, Center for the Arts M3E Concert, 8 pm, de Laski Performing Arts Building
17 City of Fairfax Holiday Craft Show, 10 am to 3 pm, Fairfax High School Electric Sunday, 10 am to 3 pm, I-66 Transfer Station A Cappella Ensembles, 7 pm, Harris Theatre	18 Old Town Hall Children's Performance Series, 10:30 am, Old Town Hall SKYWARN class — call 703-385-4856 for information School Board work session, 7:30 pm, Fairfax High School	19 Commission for Women meeting, 7:15 pm, City Hall Room 316 Commission on the Arts, 7 pm, Sherwood Community Center	20 Community Preparedness workshop, 6:30 pm, Sherwood Center Board of Architectural Review meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex Sesquicentennial Committee meeting, 7 pm, Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim	21 Friday Morning Music Club, 11 am, Old Town Hall Independence Day Celebration Committee meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex City of Fairfax Republican Committee meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex	22 Bingo, 7:15 pm, Fire Station 3 (benefits the Fairfax Volunteer Fire Department)	23 <i>Messages from the Front: A Study in Civil War Reenacting</i> , 2 pm, Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim <i>Keith Urban: Light the Fuse Tour</i> , 7 pm, Patriot Center
24 Find out first! Find out fast! Sign up for eMAS, the city's electronic message alert system: emas.fairfaxva.gov	25  Monday trash and recycling routes are collected Planning Commission meeting, 7 pm, City Hall Annex (televised; see page 5) Symphonic Band, 8 pm, Center for the Arts	26 Tuesday and Wednesday trash and recycling routes collected English Conversation Group, 7 pm, City of Fairfax Regional Library	27 Thursday and Friday trash and recycling routes collected General District Court closes at noon Fresh Beat Band, 6:30 pm, Patriot Center	28 Thanksgiving Trash and recyclables are not collected City government offices closed, General District Court closed, no CUE Bus service, Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center closed, Civil War Interpretive Center closed	29 Thanksgiving Holiday Trash and recyclables are not collected City government offices closed, General District Court closed, CUE Bus on a modified weekday schedule, Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center open, Civil War Interpretive Center open Bingo	30 Events at George Mason University, including concerts and student activities, may affect traffic in the city. For information, visit today.gmu.edu or call 703-993-1056.

ARTS, CULTURE & RECREATION

Support the Fire Department Benevolent Fund: Run November 3

Get your run on and support the fire department with the Benevolent Fund Firefighter 5K, set for 8:30 a.m. November 3 from Fire Station 3, 4081 University Drive. Proceeds benefit the City of Fairfax Firefighters Benevolent Fund. Register online at www.firefighterfund5k.com.

Cinema Series Continues November 8; Food Donations Accepted

Watch *The Croods* for free at 7 p.m. November 8 at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway. Participants may bring their own snacks — and, from 7-9 p.m., Our Daily Bread will accept non-perishable food items.

Performance Series Continues

The Bonita Lestina Performance Series continues November 8 with the *US Army Downrange* and December 6 with the *Cathedral Brass*. The free concerts begin at 8 p.m. at Old Town Hall, 3999 University Drive. For information, call 703-352-ARTS.

History Talks Planned

Learn about “George Mason and George Washington: The Power of Principle” at 2 p.m. November 10 at the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street. For information, call 703-385-8414.

Find out about “Messages from the Front: A Study in Civil War Reenacting” at 2 p.m. November 23 at the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway. For information, call 703-591-0560.

Chocolate Lovers Grant Applications Accepted

The Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee is accepting applications through November 15 from eligible non-profit organizations for the 2014 Chocolate Lovers Festival grant.

The grant recipient will receive a portion of proceeds from the Chocolate Lovers Festival to be held February 1-2, 2014 (note the date change). For an application, visit www.chocolatefestival.net or call 703-385-7949.

Holiday Shopping Can Begin at City Gift Shops

Start holiday shopping with Fairfax

memorabilia for sale at city gift shops. These shops offer a selection of books by local authors, a wide variety of Civil War books and gifts, Fairfax and Virginia souvenirs, White House Christmas ornaments and more. Check with the shop to make sure the item on your shopping list is ready for you to pick up, or stop by and see what might delight that special Fairfax lover.

The gift shop in the Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center, 10209 Main Street, is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily (except major holidays); 703-385-8414.

The gift shop in the Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, 3610 Old Lee Highway, is open from noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday (except major holidays); 703-591-0560.

City Buildings Available for Private Use

The city has unique facilities available for private special events: Old Town Hall, Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim, Green Acres Center, the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center. Even something as seemingly simple as a meeting becomes more distinctive in Fairfax. For information, visit the city's website or call 703-385-7858.

For more information, call the Parks and Recreation Department at 703-385-7858 (TTY Relay: 7-1-1).



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